

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 742

By Finney

A RESOLUTION to recognize Elizabeth Cagle on receiving the Girl Scout Gold Award.

WHEREAS, at a time when this nation's youth face difficult challenges, the Girl Scouts of America is one of our finest assets, providing young women with an educational program that contributes significantly to their character development, citizenship training, and improved mental and physical fitness; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Cagle, after considerable effort and diligent preparation, has earned the highest award a Girl Scout can attain, the prestigious Girl Scout Gold Award; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award honors girls who demonstrate an exceptional commitment to their communities and an outstanding dedication to achievement; and

WHEREAS, to receive the award, Girls Scouts must complete five requirements, all of which demand efficient organizational, time management, and leadership skills; and

WHEREAS, further, a Senior Girl Scout must build on her experiences in Girl Scouting to complete a Gold Award project, which provides an opportunity for her to put her leadership skills, career, interests, and personal values together to serve her community; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Cagle's project, entitled "New Hope through Art," benefited the children of New Hope Children's Advocacy Center. Ms. Cagle first completed New Hope's playroom by extending the fanciful mural on the walls to the fireplace, which she painted to look like a castle, complete with turrets and a moat; then, for the second part of her project, Ms. Cagle facilitated art activities for the young people of New Hope Children's Advocacy Center by leading art projects, providing sketchbooks for use as art journals, and furnishing art supplies for use in the future; and

WHEREAS, the daughter of Julie and Billy Cagle, Elizabeth Cagle is a sophomore in the Berean Christian Independent Study Program, where she has demonstrated considerable ability as a leader among her peers, as evidenced by her selection as vice president of the Blount Home Education Association (BHEA) Student Council, vice president of the BHEA yearbook staff, and school reporter for the *Maryville Daily Times*; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to recognize Elizabeth Cagle as one of the most outstanding young people in our state; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Elizabeth Cagle for her meritorious service to the State of Tennessee, congratulate her on her achievement of the Girl Scout Gold Award, and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.